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Proclamation #: P 15-038

PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 2015 AS ORGAN DONOR AWARENESS MONTH IN WESTMONT

WHEREAS, Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White is a champion for organ donation and promotes this opportunity through the website LifeGoesOn.com; and

WHEREAS, about 123,000 people are waiting for an organ donation at this time; and

WHEREAS, one organ donor can save up to eight lives, and organs and tissues from one donor can benefit 50 people; and

WHEREAS, living donors can donate a kidney, parts of a liver, lung, pancreas, or intestine; and

WHEREAS, 18 people die each day while waiting for a transplant; and

WHEREAS, the month of April has been Proclaimed National Donate Life Month by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, which is promoted on OrganDonor.gov; and

WHEREAS, Westmont resident Gwendolyn Westlund is coordinating a special event entitled, "A Recycled Life" to promote organ donation awareness; and

WHEREAS, this new event "A Recycled Life" will be held at the Westmont High School on March 28, 2015 to promote organ donation and blood donation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I Ronald J. Gunter, by the virtue of the authority vested in me, as Mayor of the Village of Westmont, Illinois do hereby proclaim April, 2015 as "Organ Donor Awareness Month" in the Village of Westmont.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Village to be affixed this 5th day of of March in the year of two-thousand fifteen.

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0 Absent: 0

ATTEST:

Virginia Szymski, VIIIage Clerk

APPROVED:

Ronald J. Gunter, Mayor